



ITEM NO.11

COURT NO.1

SECTION II-C

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No. 5200/2026

[Arising out of impugned judgment and order dated 19-02-2026 in MCRC No. 1709/2026 passed by the High Court of Chhattisgarh at Bilaspur]

GAGANDEEP @ GAGAN ARORA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF CHHATTISGARH

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 89386/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 18-05-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Saurav Kumar, AOR

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Apoorv Shukla, AOR
Ms. Prabhleen A. Shukla, Adv.
Ms. Ilashri Gaur, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. The petitioner seeks enlargement on bail in FIR No. 192/2025 registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Raipur, under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860. The allegations are that he took money from the complainant on the pretext of providing a government job to the complainant's wife and thereafter issued a forged appointment letter to her. The forged document allegedly bore

an official seal of a Minister; consequently, the subject FIR was registered. The petitioner was arrested on 04.05.2025. It is not in dispute that after the filing of the chargesheet, the trial has now commenced. Out of the 22 witnesses, 8 have been examined so far.

2. The petitioner is facing a magistrate trial. Since the conclusion of the trial will take some more time, we dispose of the instant petition with the direction to release the petitioner on bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the trial court.

3. It is made clear that we have not expressed any opinion on the merits of the case.

4. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand closed.

(NITIN TALREJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI DILEEP KUMAR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR